Statement—contd.

1	2
Allahabad Region	
Allahabad	440
Pratapgarh	304
Varanasi	306
Ghazipur	354
Jaunpur	396
Mirzapur	136
TOTAL :	1936
Lucknow Region	
Lucknow	143
Barabanki	282
Sitapur	355
Sultanpur	444
Raebareli	397
Faizabad	558
TOTAL :	2179
Kanpur Region	
Kanpur City	80
Kanpur Dehat	275
Unnao	246
Fatehpur	232
Banda	271
Hamirpur	210
Farrukhabad	252
TOTAL :	1566
Dehradun Region	
Bijnor	256
Chamoli	328
Dehradun	181
Ghaziabad	190
Meerut	308
Muzaffarnagar	272
Pauri Garhwal	414
Saharanpur	171
Haridwar	79
Tehri	252
Uttarkashi	125
TOTAL :	2576

Statement—concld.

1	2
Gorakhpur Region :	
Azamgarh	348
Mau	164
Baharaich	371
Ballia	325
Basti	322
Sidharthnagar	214
Deoria	467
Gonda	459
Gorakhpur	345
Maharajganj	200
TOTAL :	3215

Telegraph Offices in Punjab

1370. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to open new telegraph offices and modernise the existing ones in the State of Punjab during the year 1993-94;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with locations and if not, reasons therefor; and

(c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) There new telegraph offices at Ropar, Mansa, Sirhind (Fategarh Sahib) are to be opened through upgradation. Seven new telecom centres are also proposed to be opened at Haronagar Ludhiana, Naya Nangal, DCW Patiala, Railway Coach Factory Kapurthala, Nakodar, Phagwara and Nawanshaher.

(ii) The existing telegraph offices numbering 22 will be modernised. In addition modern equipments like EKB, formated

Terminals etc. are proposed to be provided at 110 Combined P&T Offices.

(c) Expenditure likely to be incurred is about Rs. 1.5 crores.

Shortage of Postal Stationery in Post Office in U.P.

1371. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of Postal stationery (Dak Materials) in Almora District, particularly, at Basot, Haya, Seem Ranikhet and Chau-nalia Post Offices in U.P. ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to supply adequate Dak Material to meet the demand of these Post Offices ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir. There is no shortage of postal stationery in the post offices in Almora District.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Waiting List of Telephones in Arunachal Prodesh and Assam

1372. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of waiting lists for telephone connections in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam during the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 ;

(b) what is the latest position of waiting lists as on the 30th October, 1993 in these States; and

(c) by when the backlog is likely to be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) :

State	Date	OYT	Special	General	Total
Arunachal Pradesh . . .	31-3-92	Nil	Nil	10	10
	31-3-93	Nil	Nil	10	10
	31-10-93	Nil	Nil	312	312
Assam	31-3-92	418	545	10246	11209
	31-3-93	282	283	9933	10498
	31-10-93	260	493	11919	12672

(c) Most of the backlog in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam is likely to be cleared by March, 1995.

Opening of new Post and Telegraph Offices in Arunachal Pradesh

1373. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new post and telegraph offices proposed to be opened in Arunachal Pradesh during the year 1993-94; and

(b) what are the details alongwith the district-wise location thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) and (b) *Post Offices :* During 1993-94, it is targated to open 7 new post offices in Arunachal Pradesh, out of which 5 post offices have been sanctioned so far. District-wise details of these 5 post offices are given below:

Name of extra departmental branch post office	Name of district
1. Towang Gompha	Towang
2. Kheel	Lower
3. Kumsai	Hubansiri
4. Kovinroad	Chenglang
5. Dali	West Siang

Telegraph Offices : The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House,